Troopers Investigating a Fatal Collision Near Argos Corner

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Milford — The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is currently investigating a fatal crash that occurred early this morning near Argos Corner.

The incident occurred around 1:09 a.m. Saturday September 10, 2016 as a 53-year-old Milford man was operating a 2010 Mercedes C30 southbound in the northbound lane of Coastal Highway (SR1) north of Brick Granary Road. At the same time, a 28-year-old Dover man was operating a 1999 Volkswagen Passat northbound on SR1 approaching the Mercedes. As a result, the left front of the Mercedes struck the left front of the Volkswagen in the northbound left lane. After the impact, the Mercedes rotated counter-clockwise and exited the west side of the road where it came to a stop in the grass median. the Volkswagen rolled onto its roof as it slid off the east side of the road where it came to a stop upside down along a wooded area.

The 28-year-old male, whose name is being withheld pending notification of next of kin, was pronounced dead on scene as a result of his injuries. He was properly restrained.

The 53-year-old male, who was properly restrained, was transported to an area hospital where he was admitted with non-life-threatening injuries. His name is also being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Moments prior to the crash, witnesses observed the Mercedes driving recklessly and failed to stop at the stop sign at the

intersection of Johnson Road and SR1. The car continued across the highway and into a field where the car began spinning. Once out of the field, the car was observed traveling southbound in the northbound lanes until the crash occurred.

The Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing their investigation into this incident. Alcohol may be a contributing factor on behalf of the 53-year-old driver. No charges have been filed at this time. SR1 northbound south of Brick Granary Road was closed for approximately five hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

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